ACES NOTIFICATION # 51:

ATTENTION: Contracting Agencies and Schools (State and CSUs please disregard)

Automated Regional Plan changes

Beginning on the evening of October 12th, CalPERS Employer and Member Health Services Division will begin moving those Contracting Agency employee health accounts that did NOT elect to change health plans this open enrollment. These health accounts will be rolled over to the corresponding regional health plan based on their current plan enrollment and the established home or employer ZIP Code in the CalPERS system. This process will result in a rollover plan change from the employee's current plan to the regional plan and will have a 01/01/2005 effective date. Employers will receive the normal employer notification identifying these employees and which regional health plan they have been changed to.

If a daily health transaction is submitted with an effective date prior to 01/01/2005 on any of these rollover accounts, the transaction will fall to a manual correction stating, "Events have occurred on the account after the effective date entered".

CalPERS staff will update the manual corrections accordingly in our system. Due to the volume of transactions there may be a slight delay in the update. However, the user need do nothing; CalPERS will handle these updates as quickly as possible.

The rollovers will occur by health plan in the following order: Kaiser, Blue Shield, PERSCare, PERS Choice, and are expected to be completed by November 5th.

Enrollments Out of the Health Plan Service Area

Based on the address that CalPERS has on file, some employee ZIP Codes are "Out of the Service Area" for the health plan they are currently enrolled in (Kaiser and Blue Shield).

To ensure that your employee has no break in health coverage, CalPERS has manually changed their enrollment (health event reason code 407) to the corresponding regional plan of their health plan of record. Special text has been provided on the employee's plan change notification indicating this.

The employer notifications will also have approximately the first line of this special text underneath the employee's plan change information. If you identify this special text on the employer notifications, please follow up with your employee in order to either change their enrollment location or to select a new health plan that covers their enrollment area.

If you have questions regarding this notification, please call the Employer Contact Center at (888) CalPERS (225-7377).